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Re:	Pedro Queiroz Vieira	<p>COPY OF PAPERS ORIGINALLY FILED</p> <hr/>	
Serial No.	09/918,898		Examiner: Paik, Sang Yeop
Filed:	07/31/2001		Group Art Unit: 3742
For:	<b>Evaporation Device For Multiple Volatile Substances</b>		
		Docket No. NEU34	

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above referenced application in response to the Office action mailed April 23, 2002, as follows.

**In The Claims**

Please amend claim 20 as follows.

20. The device of claim 18 wherein said wick openings are formed in a central area of said heating block between two parallel aligned heating elements.

**Remarks**

In the Office action claim 20 is objected to because in line 1, the word "opening" should read -- openings --.

In the Office action claims 1-3, 11, 12 and 15-17 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schimanski et al (US 5,222,186) or Demarest et al (US 6,361,752) in view of Nothe et al (US 6,172,373) or Bunnell et al (US 1,346,793). The rejection states that Schimanski or Demarest show an evaporation device including a housing containing a heating block with a heating element, a wick protruding out of a wick opening in the heating block. However, neither Schimanski nor